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provision of the act. And that's basically what LB 150 does. It sets the process in place that allows a person to change their carrier, and that is any carrier. That is local, long distance, "intra," "inter," as any of the telecommunication services that you receive is regarded as a separate subscription and shows you that you have to have a verification process. It enumerates those verification processes: a letter of agency, electronic, or independent third party. It requires that the subscriber is then sent a notification that they have been switched and then it sets up a consumer complaint slamming process that allows the Public Service Commission to handle your complaint, proposes administrative penalties, and provides that the slamming is done. It also points out the liability of the subscriber in terms of if they are slammed what their options...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: One minute.

SENATOR C. PETERSON: ...are if they have paid and if they have not paid and, in essence, provides us a framework that will allow us to control the problem that is occurring when you have an unauthorized switch of your service, whether it's on the local exchange, which is not a problem now but eventually as we move into the competitive market there could be, as well as the long distance providers that you have currently.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Peterson. Senator Schimek.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. I move that we adjourn until 9:00 a.m., March 16.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Mr. Clerk, items for the record?

CLERK: Mr. President, LR 47, by Senator Chris Peterson, will be laid over. Enrollment and Review reports (LB) 148 and (LB) 148A correctly engrossed. New A bill, (LB) 54A, by Senator Brashear. (Read by title for the first time.) Senator Landis would like to print amendments to (LB) 150. Senator Smith would like to add his name to (LB) 849, Senator Landis to (LB) 150, Senator Brashear to (LB) 299. That's all that I had, Mr. President. (See pages 981-986 of the Legislative Journal.)